



Louisville Metro



River Road Scenic Byway Corridor Improvement Study

Public Meeting

June 16, 2009

Property of Gresham, Smith and Partners



Welcome and Introductions



Louisville Metro Government

Public Works and Assets

Metro Parks

Planning and Design



River Fields, Inc.



City of Glenview

Consultant Team

Gresham, Smith and Partners

Corn Island Archeology

Environs, Inc.

Jones and Jones

Scenic America



GRESHAM
SMITH AND
PARTNERS

JONES JONES

ARCHITECTS
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
PLANNERS

Scenic America



Meeting Agenda



- Project Overview
- Planning Process summary
- Understanding the Corridor
- Breakout Sessions
- Adjourn



Project Overview



~7 miles of the
River Road corridor
from Zorn Avenue
to US 42



Project Overview



A Louisville Metro project, funded through the Federal Highway Administrations (FHWA) Discretionary Grants Program to support and enhance National Scenic Byways, All-American Roads and State-designated byways.

River Road is a State-designated byway.



Purpose



Develop a Corridor Management Plan (CMP) to:



strengthen and promote the corridor's scenic, natural, cultural, and historic resources while providing safe access for all users including consideration for bicyclists and pedestrians



produce implementation strategies addressing visual character, compatibility of future land uses, interpretive opportunities, and roadway safety and operational improvements to accommodate all users

What this study isn't



- a Neighborhood Plan
- a Future Land Use study
- “East End” or Harrods Creek Bridge project
- Already determined

Project Context



● Cornerstone 2020 Comprehensive Plan

- Ohio River Corridor Management Plan

● Community Efforts

- Ohio River Bridges Project
- Louisville Loop
- Bicycle Summit
- Prospect Improvements
- LWC "Riverbank Filtration" project

● Neighborhood Plans

- Glenview Neighborhood
- Mockingbird Valley

● Special Districts

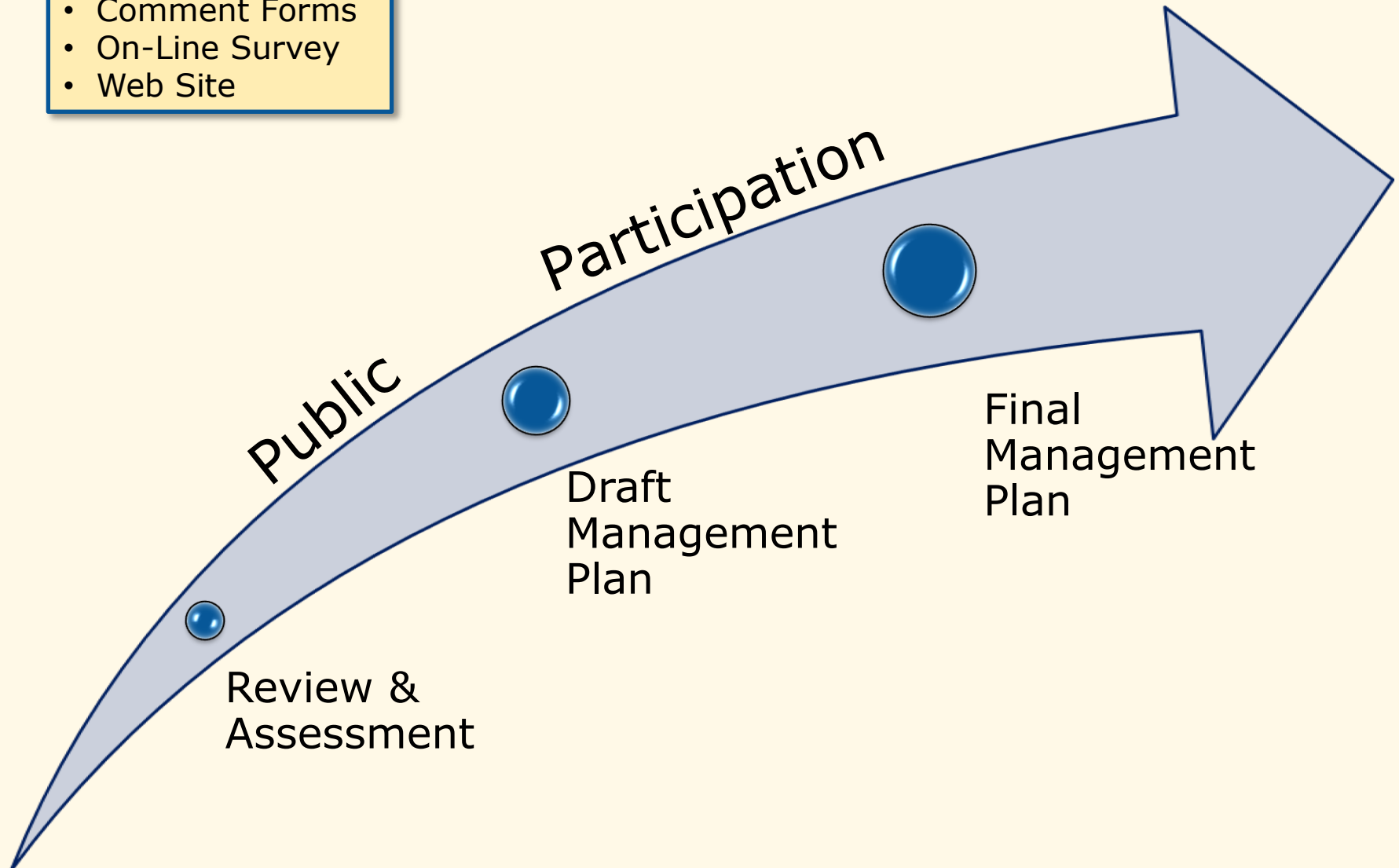
- Country Estates of River Road Historic District



Planning Process summary



- Comment Forms
- On-Line Survey
- Web Site





Corridor Advisory Group

- Neighborhoods/Residents
- Businesses
- Municipalities
- User Groups
- Environmental/ Cultural
- Special Interests

- ↗ Advise and inform Project Team (sounding board)
- ↗ Help engage the larger community
- ↗ Represent a broad base of interests
- ↗ Participate throughout the planning process
- ↗ Stay informed of community issues and priorities



Stakeholders

- ↗ Represents a specific interest (i.e., local business)
- ↗ Determine important program elements (as users, what do they want or need?)

Public

- ↗ Public meetings
- ↗ Comment forms
- ↗ On-Line survey



Technical Advisory Group

● Official Interests
● Service Providers

● Advocacy Groups

- ↗ Technical advice on projects and programs
- ↗ Participate at critical milestones in the planning process
- ↗ Advice on implementation methods

Planning Process cont'd



ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

	2008						2009							
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Discovery														
Project Initiation														
Inventory and Assessment														
Stakeholder Interviews														
Resource Analysis														
User Surveys														
Communication														
Corridor Advisory Group Mtg 1														
Corridor Advisory Group Mtg 2														
Corridor Advisory Group Mtg 3														
Corridor Advisory Group Mtg 4														
Community Meeting 1														
Community Meeting 2														
Technical Advisory Group Mtg 1														
Technical Advisory Group Mtg 2														
Technical Advisory Group Mtg 3														
Management Plan														
Draft Plan														
Final Plan														
Public Hearing														

Legend



Jones and Jones in attendance



Community Meeting



CAG Meeting



TAG Meeting

Known Issues



Limited ROW

- Walls/fences
- Utility poles
- Stream crossings/wetlands



Multiple agendas

- Auto vs. bicycle
- Visitor vs. land owner
- Special interests



Presence of historic/cultural resources









Interface with other initiatives

- Utility projects (LWC)
- Louisville Loop
- Bridges

Understanding the Corridor



Corridor Qualities

-  Functional
-  Natural
-  Cultural
-  Scenic
-  Historic
-  Recreational

The 6 Intrinsic Qualities of a Scenic Byway



Archaeological Quality - Physical evidence of historic or prehistoric human life or activity that is visible and **capable of being inventoried and interpreted**.

Cultural Quality - Evidence and expressions of the customs or traditions of a distinct group of people **that are currently practiced**.

Historic Quality - Legacies of the past **distinctly associated with physical elements of the landscape**, natural or manmade, of such **historic significance** that they educate the viewer and stir an appreciation for the past.

Natural Quality - Features in the visual environment that are **in a relatively undisturbed state**.

Recreational Quality - Outdoor active and passive recreational activities **directly associated with and dependent upon** the natural and cultural elements of the landscape.

Scenic Quality - The heightened visual experience derived from the view of **natural and manmade** elements of the visual environment.

Review & Assessment Phase



- Natural Resources

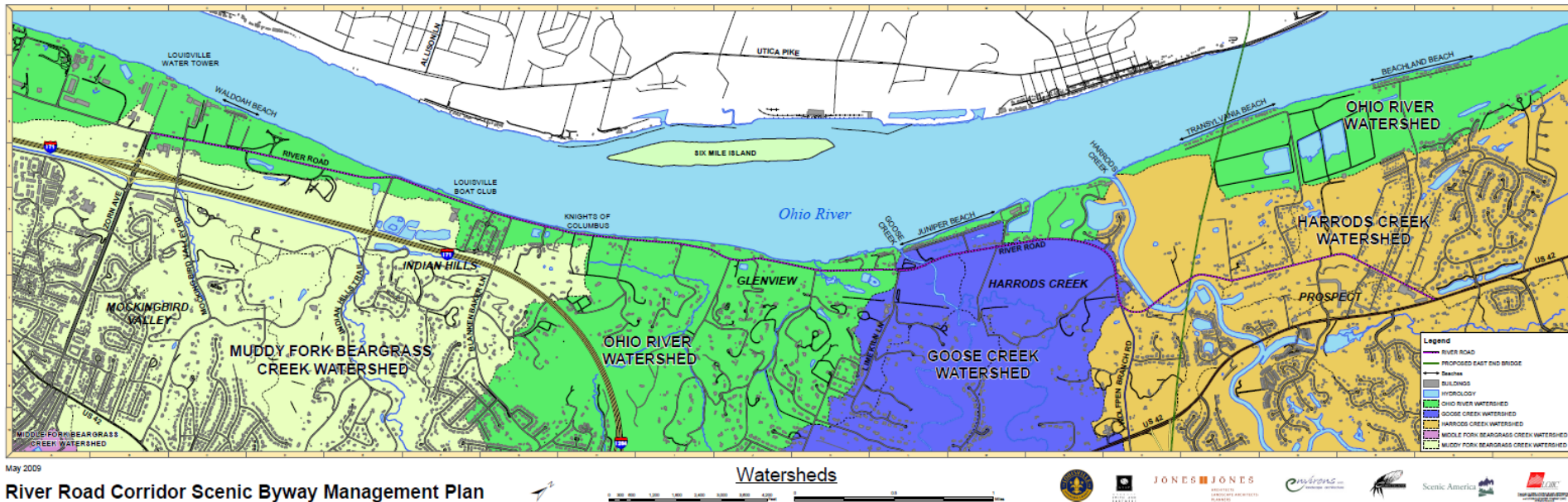


- Topography
- Floodplain
- Hydrology
- Vegetation
- Wetlands

Review & Assessment Phase



- Watersheds

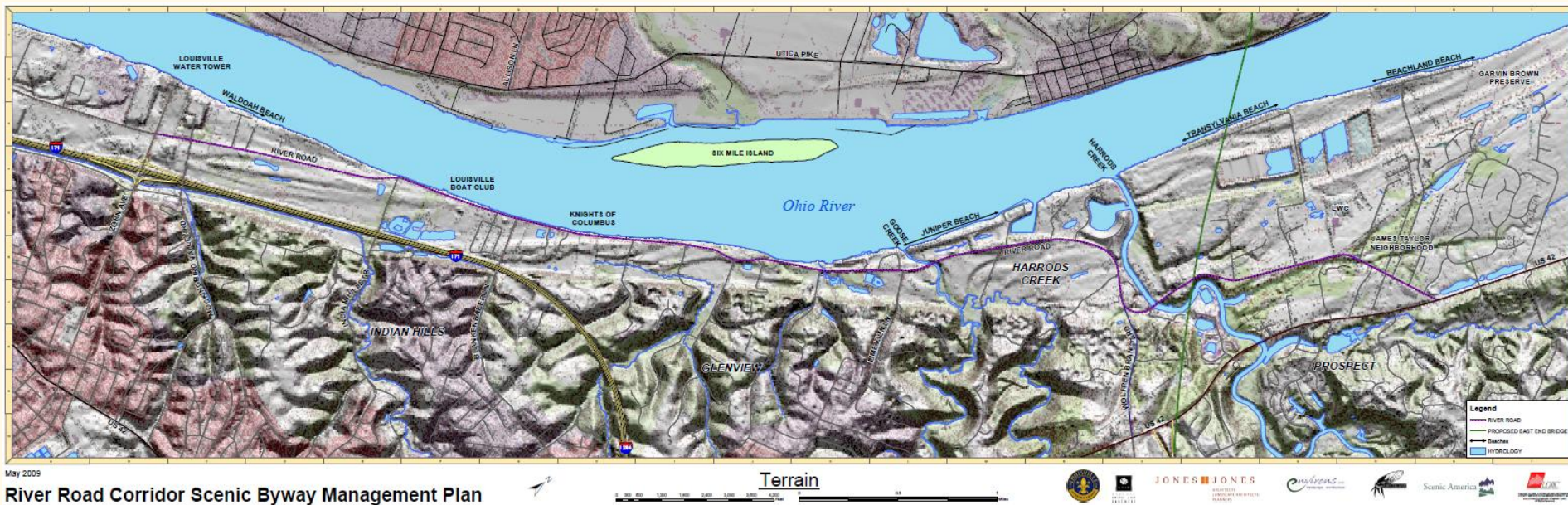


- Harrods Creek
- Goose Creek
- Muddy Fork
- Ohio River

Review & Assessment Phase



- Terrain

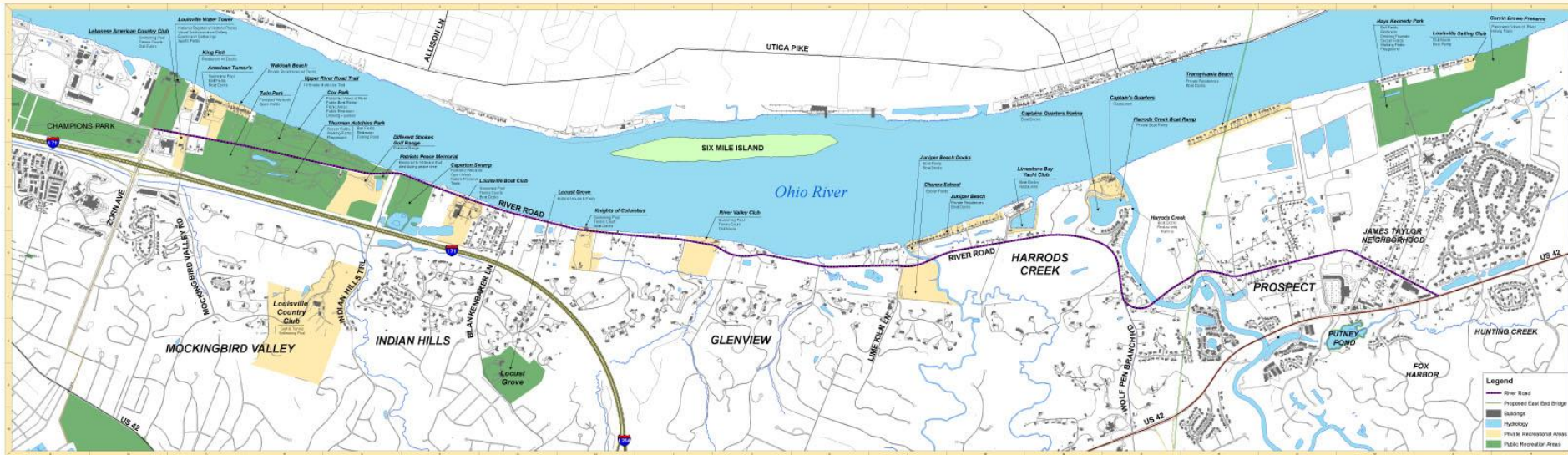


- Bluff
- Floodplain
- Stream Valleys

Review & Assessment Phase



- Recreation



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Recreational Facilities



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- Public
- Private

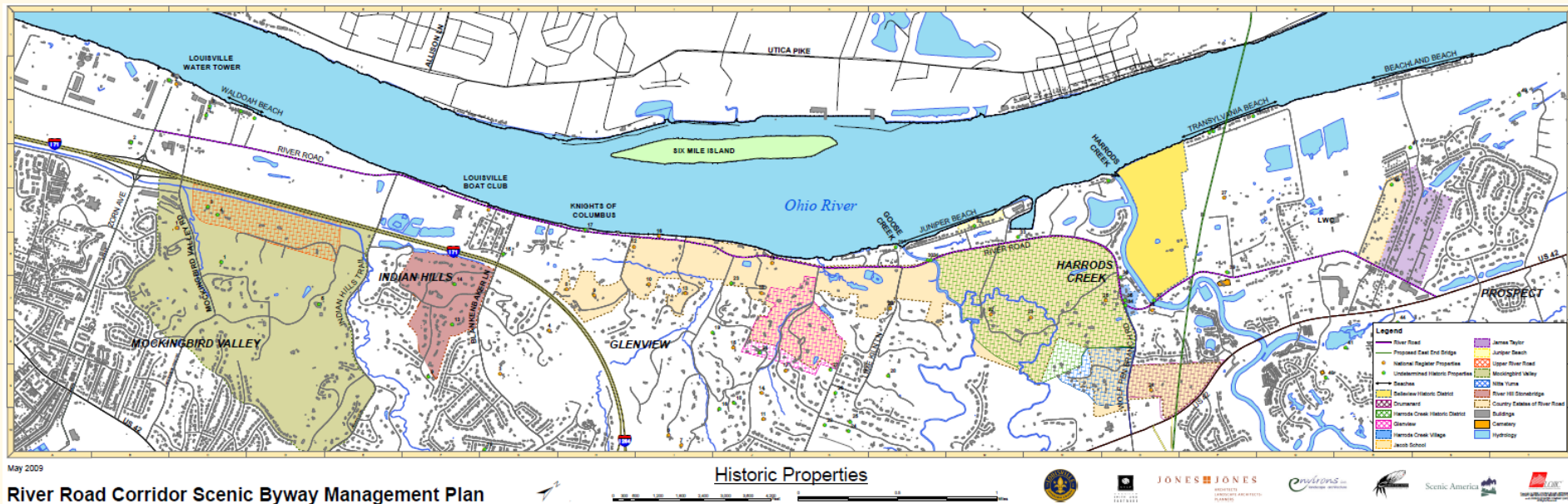
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- Clubs

- Camps
- Marinas

Review & Assessment Phase



- Historic Properties
- Archaeological Resources

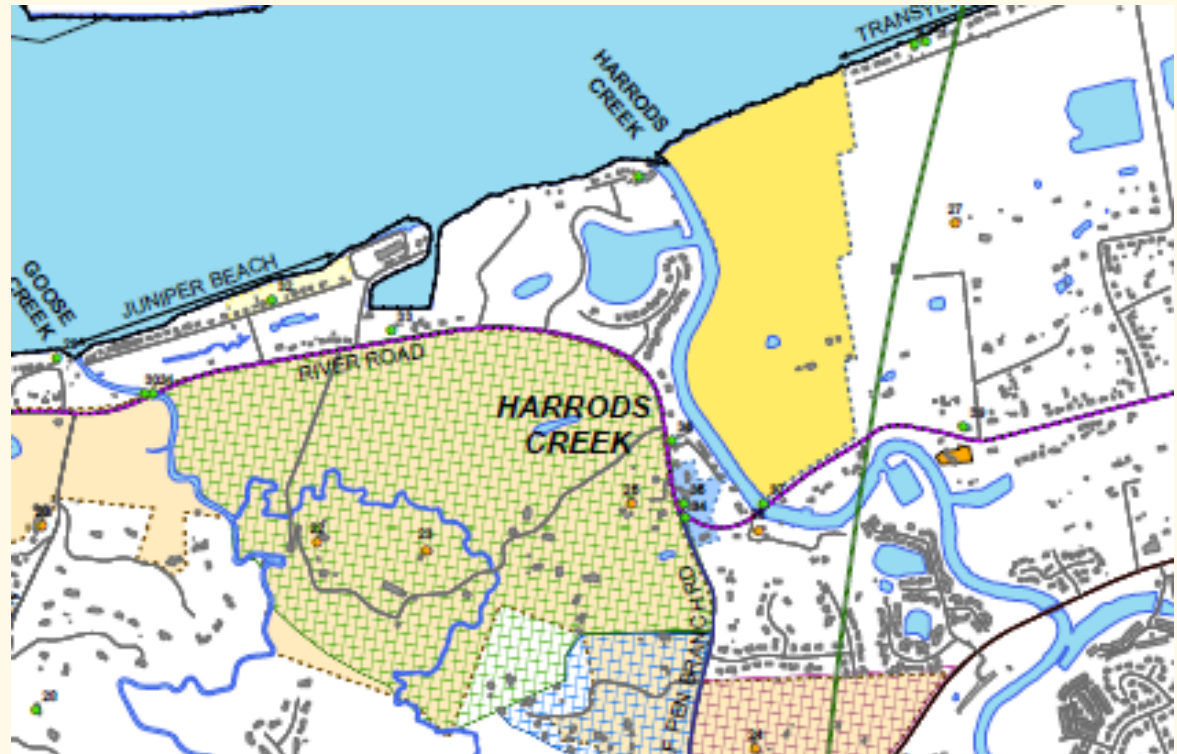


- Historic Districts
- National Register Properties
- Buildings and Cemeteries
- Archaeological Sites
- Archaeological Survey Areas
- Cemeteries

Review & Assessment Phase



- Protection
- Interpretation
- Planning Tool For Implementation Decisions



Understanding the Corridor



Interactive Questions

- What qualities of the corridor are important
- How is the corridor being used
- How well are these uses being met
- Who's using the corridor

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Rural Character



Active and Passive Recreation



Natural Features



Scenic Views/Vistas



Historic



Archaeological



Cultural



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Area Map



Review & Assessment Phase



Next Steps



- Comment Forms
- Sign In Sheet
- User Survey
- Project Website
 - <http://www.louisvilleky.gov/PublicWorks/>